

**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE TASK FORCE ON THE CARE, MANAGEMENT AND
TRANSITION OF RECOVERING WOUNDED, ILL AND INJURED MEMBERS OF THE
ARMED FORCES**

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Mr. David K. Rehbein has served a dual career with his professional life being spent in the research field specializing in solid state physics and materials science and his personal life heavily involved in veterans service and issues through The American Legion. Mr. Rehbein is a US Army veteran with service in Germany from 1970-71 with separation at the rank of Sergeant, E-5.

Mr. Rehbein's 36 years of volunteer work in The American Legion resulted in his election to spend a year of service as the National Commander of the 2.7 million member organization. His leadership roles in that organization include service on the National Board of Directors and chairmanship duties on three major commissions including Veterans Affairs and Legislation and several special high-level committees.

In Iowa, Mr. Rehbein received gubernatorial appointments to two terms on the Iowa Commission of Veterans Affairs overseeing the Department of Veterans Affairs and the 650 resident Iowa Veterans Home. He holds a Bachelor of Science in Physics and Master of Science in Metallurgy from Iowa State University and spent 30 years as a research scientist at the Ames Laboratory, US Department of Energy. He is the author of 75 published scientific papers and one patent. His career included work on many unique problems including aging aircraft, nuclear waste storage, space shuttle fuel tanks, high strength bonds for aircraft turbine blades and robotic inspection. Mr. Rehbein brings a unique blend of knowledge of veterans and military health issues and a set of problem-solving and evaluation skills developed through years in a scientific research environment.